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Title:

SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND MANUFACTURING METHOD

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The prior application is assigned of record to Semiconductor Energy Laboratory Co., Ltd., a Japan corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on July 1, 1998 at 9301/0958.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

	<u>Pages</u>
Specification	43
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Abstract	1
Declaration	4
Drawing(s)	16

Enclosures:

- Serial number card (green).
- Preliminary amendment, 12 pages.
- Transmittal of formal drawings, 1 page; and Formal drawings (Figs. 1A-20F, 16 pages).
- New disclosure information, including: Information disclosure statement, 1 page. PTO-1449, 2 pages.
- Change of correspondence address, 1 page.
- Copy of priority documents JP 09-090245 & JP 09-090246 (1st page only), 2 sheets. Please enter in this application.
- Copy of recorded assignment, 5 pages. Please enter in this application.



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This application is a divisional (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. application serial no. 09/730,417, filed December 4, 2000, which is a continuation of U.S. application serial no. 09/046,198, filed March 23, 1998, which, under 35 USC 119, claims the benefit of foreign priority applications filed in Japan as serial number 09-090245 filed on March 24, 1997 and serial number 09-090246, filed on March 24, 1997. The disclosures of the prior applications are considered part of (and are incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

Please substitute the enclosed sixteen (16) sheets of formal drawings (Figs. 1A-20F) for the corresponding drawings presently in the application.

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